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**Senator José Menéndez Introduces Resolution to Block Funding of Border Wall
and Protect Critical Military Projects**

San Antonio, Texas – Senator José Menéndez has introduced Senate Concurrent Resolution 54 to protect funds appropriated for Texas military bases. These funds ensure critical missions are completed and do not experience costly delays due to resources being diverted for construction of a wall on the U.S. Mexico border.

On Friday, the President vetoed the bi-partisan Congressional Resolution, which would have stopped his use of emergency powers to pay for construction of a border wall. These actions will have a devastating impact on funding for essential military projects in Texas, home to 14 military bases.

Numerous projects, including those at Joint Base San Antonio, could be negatively impacted or halted if funding were diverted to the wall. The Texas Military Department has requested \$76.3 million from the state legislature for emergency and disaster preparedness, mental health and service member care, expansion of the state guard, and facility management and operations.

"We will not allow a fabricated emergency by a single member of government to risk the national security that our military bases provide, nor diminish the preparedness of our dedicated servicemen and women from handling real crises affecting our state," Senator Menéndez said. "Our military and the hardworking people of our state deserve better. They also deserve to know the truth about where this wall funding is coming from and how it will impact us all."

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